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CASE NO. 8285/422

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:)
Scott P. Alcott) Previous Group Art Unit: 2742
Serial No.: unassigned) Previous Examiner: R. Foster
Filed: herewith)
For: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND ARTICLES)
FOR ORDERING A TELECOMMUNICATION)
SERVICE)

PRELIMINARY RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents
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Before examining the above captioned application, please enter the following
amendments and consider the following remarks:

Amendments

Please rewrite claims 1, 12, 23, 24, 30 and 37 as follows:

1. (amended) A method comprising the steps of:
initiating a telecommunication network trigger based upon a service code dialed from an
originating party, the service code including an alphabetical abbreviation for a name of a
telecommunication service; and
initially establishing a subscription to the telecommunication service for the originating
party in dependence upon the telecommunication network trigger.

12. (amended) A system comprising:
a processor responsive to a telecommunication network trigger initiated in dependence
upon a service code dialed from an originating party, the service code including an alphabetical
abbreviation for a name of a telecommunication service, the processor to initiate an initial
establishment of a subscription to the telecommunication service for the originating party in

dependence upon the telecommunication network trigger.

23. (amended) An article of manufacture comprising:

a computer-readable storage medium; and

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computer-readable data stored by the computer-readable storage medium, the computer-readable data to direct a processor to initiate initial establishment of a subscription to a telecommunications service for originating party in dependence upon a telecommunication network trigger, the telecommunication network trigger initiated in dependence upon a service code dialed from an originating party, the service code including an alphabetical abbreviation for a name of the telecommunication service.

24. (amended) A method comprising the steps of:

initiating a telecommunications network trigger based upon a menu code dialed from an originating party, the menu code including at least one of “*M” and “#M”; and

providing a menu of a plurality of telecommunications options corresponding to telecommunications network services, the menu provided in response to the telecommunications network trigger.

30. (amended) A system comprising:

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a network element to provide a menu of a plurality of telecommunication options corresponding to telecommunications network services, the menu provided in response to a telecommunication network trigger, the telecommunications network trigger based upon a menu code dialed from an originating party, the menu code including at least one of “*M” and “#M”.

37. (amended) An article of manufacture comprising:

a computer-readable storage medium; and

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computer-readable data stored by the computer-readable storage medium, the computer-readable data to direct a network element to provide a menu of a plurality of telecommunication options corresponding to telecommunications network services, the menu